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District Man Sentenced to Eleven Years in Prison for Kidnapping and Assault with Intent to Commit First Degree Sexual Abuse

WASHINGTON - A 54-year-old District of Columbia man, Jack Robinson, has been sentenced to eleven years in prison after pleading guilty to abducting a woman off the street, pulling her into an alley and assaulting her with the intent to rape her, U.S. Attorney Ronald C. Machen Jr. announced today. Robinson entered a guilty plea on January 21, 2010, to one count of kidnapping and one count of assault with intent to commit first degree sexual abuse. He was sentenced today in the Superior Court of the District of Columbia before the Honorable Herbert B. Dixon, Jr.

According to the government's evidence, shortly after 12:00 a.m. on October 13, 2009, the defendant ran and grabbed the victim from behind as she walked in the 200 block of 17th Street, SE – between Independence and Massachusetts Avenues. The defendant pulled the victim, who was screaming, into the alley. There, the defendant forced the victim to the ground and straddled atop her as he punched her repeatedly. The defendant then lowered his pants, and the victim's pants, and climbed on top of the victim. A number of residents who heard the victim screaming, and saw the defendant on top of her, called 911. Due to the quick response by the police and by a number of helpful residents, the defendant was apprehended on the scene. An examination of DNA evidence recovered from the defendant after his arrest linked the defendant to the crime.

In addition to the sentence of eleven years of incarceration, the defendant will serve a period of supervised release of ten years following his release from prison. Under District of Columbia law, upon his release the defendant is also required to register for a period of ten years as a sex offender.

In announcing the sentence, U.S. Attorney Machen praised the outstanding work of the lead Detective, Kimberly Crosby, of the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). The U.S. Attorney also acknowledged the great work of the following additional MPD personnel: First District Officers Daniel Hemmer, Anna Ewald, Charles "C.J." Smith, David Augustine,

Matthew Batko, Bryan Mancuso and Carl White; Sergeants Joseph Massey, Ronny Arce and Anthony Mable; Evidence Technicians Ralph Nitz, Kelvin King, Edward Roach, Tony Nwani and Leo Strong; DNA Examiner Jennifer Zeffer of the MPD Crime Lab; and Detective Andre “A.D.” Williams. The U.S. Attorney also acknowledged the support of various staff of the U.S. Attorney’s Office, including Victim Advocate Veronica Vaughan; Paralegal Specialists Cynthia Muhammad and Jason Manuel; Legal Assistants Charmonique Price and Catherine Bouldin; and Litigation Technology Specialists Leif Hickling, Joshua Ellen, William Henderson and Paul Howell. Finally, the U.S. Attorney commended the hard work and dedication of Assistant U.S. Attorney David M. Rubenstein, who indicted and prosecuted the case.

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